## IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-20 (canceled)

21. (currently amended) A process for preparing a compound of Formula 1

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and their pharmaceutically acceptable or salts thereof, wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>-are independently of each other

- (i) a C<sub>1+12</sub> alkyl, straight chain or branched chain, optionally mono—or polysubstituted by OH, SH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, N(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl)<sub>2</sub>, N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl), NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, F, Cl, Br, I, O C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, O C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, S-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, SOR<sup>6</sup>, SO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -(CS)R<sup>6</sup>, COOH, (CO)R<sup>6</sup>, mono—, bi—or tricyclic saturated or mono—or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono—, bi—or tricyclic saturated or mono—or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the C<sub>6-4</sub> aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents can optionally be mono—or polysubstituted by R<sup>4</sup>,
- (ii)  $C_{2,12}$  alkenyl, mono- or polyunsaturated, straight-chain or branched-chain, optionally mono- or polysubstituted by OH, SH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>4</sub> alkyl, N(C<sub>4</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>6,14</sub> aryl, N(C<sub>6,14</sub> aryl)<sub>2</sub>, N(C<sub>4</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>6,14</sub> aryl), NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, F, Cl, Br, I, O-C<sub>4,6</sub> alkyl, O-C<sub>6,14</sub> aryl, O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, S-C<sub>4,6</sub> alkyl, S-C<sub>6,44</sub> aryl, SOR<sup>6</sup>, SO3H, SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>4,6</sub> alkyl, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6,44</sub> aryl, (CS)R<sup>6</sup>, COOH, (CO)R<sup>6</sup>, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6

heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the  $C_{6-14}$  aryl-groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents for their part can optionally be mono-or polysubstituted by  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ,

(iii) — mono , bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members,

optionally mono- or polysubstituted by OH, SH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl, N(C<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl, N(C<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, N(C<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>I-4</sub> aryl), NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, F, Cl, Br, I, O C<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl, O C<sub>I-4</sub> aryl, O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, S-C<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl, S-C<sub>I-4</sub> aryl, SOR<sup>6</sup>, SO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>I-6</sub> alkyl, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>I-6</sub> aryl, (CS)R<sup>6</sup>, COOH, (CO)R<sup>6</sup>, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the C<sub>I-14</sub> aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted by R<sup>4</sup>,

(iv) mono, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, optionally mono- or polysubstituted by OH, SH, NH2, NHC+6-alkyl, N(C+6-alkyl)2, NHC6-14 aryl,  $N(C_{6-14} \text{ aryl})_2$ ,  $N(C_{1-6} \text{ alkyl})(C_{6-14} \text{ aryl})$ ,  $NHCOR^6$ ,  $NO_2$ , CN, F, Cl, Br, I, O,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, O-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, O(CO) $\mathbb{R}^6$ , S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, S-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, SOR<sup>6</sup>, SO<sub>2</sub>H, SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, OSO2C6-14 aryl, (CS)R6, COOH, (CO)R6, mono, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents for their part can be optionally mono or polysubstituted by R<sup>4</sup>, carbo or heterocyclic saturated or mono or polyunsaturated spirocycles having from 3 to 10 ring members, where heterocyclic systems contains from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, optionally mono or polysubstituted by OH, SH, NH2, NHC1-6  $\frac{alkyl}{N(C_{1-6}-alkyl)_2}$ ,  $\frac{N(C_{6-14}-aryl)_2}{N(C_{6-14}-aryl)_2}$ ,  $\frac{N(C_{1-6}-alkyl)(C_{6-14}-aryl)_2}{N(C_{1-6}-alkyl)(C_{6-14}-aryl)_2}$ -CN, F, Cl, Br, I, O C<sub>L6</sub>-alkyl, O C<sub>6-L4</sub> aryl, O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, S C<sub>L6</sub>-alkyl, S C<sub>6-L4</sub>, aryl, SOR<sup>6</sup>; 

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tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the  $C_{6.14}$  aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted by  $R^4$ ,

R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>-are hydrogen or OH, where at least one of the two substituents must be OH;

 $R^4$  is -H, OH, -SH,  $NH_2$ ,  $NHC_{I-6}$  alkyl,  $N(C_{I-6}$  alkyl)<sub>2</sub>,  $-NHC_{6-I4}$  aryl,  $N(C_{6-I4}$  aryl)<sub>2</sub>,  $-N(C_{I-6}$  alkyl) $(C_{6-I4}$  aryl),  $-NHCOR^6$ ,  $-NO_2$ , -CN, -COOH,  $-(CO)R^6$ ,  $-(CS)R^6$ , -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O,  $-C_{I-6}$  alkyl, -O,  $-C_{6-I4}$  aryl,  $-O(CO)R^6$ , -S,  $-C_{I-6}$  alkyl, -S,  $-C_{6-I4}$ , aryl,  $-SOR^6$ ,  $-SO_2R^6$ .

R<sup>6</sup>-is-H, NH<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>1-6</sub>-alkyl, N(C<sub>1-6</sub>-alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, NHC<sub>6-14</sub>-aryl, N(C<sub>6-14</sub>, aryl)<sub>2</sub>, N(C<sub>1-6</sub>-alkyl)(C<sub>6-14</sub>-aryl) O-C<sub>1-6</sub>-alkyl, O-C<sub>6-14</sub>-aryl, S-C<sub>1-6</sub>-alkyl, S-C<sub>6-14</sub>-aryl, C<sub>1-12</sub>-alkyl, straight-chain or branched chain, C<sub>2-12</sub>-alkenyl, mono-or polyunsaturated, straight-chain or branched chain, mono-or tricyclic saturated or mono-or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S;

A is either a bond, or  $CH2)_m$ ,  $(CH2)_m$  (CH2) $_n$ ,  $(CH2)_p$ ,  $(CHOZ)_m$ , (C=O), (C=N-Z), O, S, NZ, where m and p are cardinal numbers from 0 to 3 and n is a cardinal number from 0 to 2,

Z is H, or a C<sub>1/2</sub> alkyl, straight-chain or branched-chain, C<sub>2/2</sub> alkenyl, mono-or polyunsaturated, straight-chain or branched-chain, mono, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono, bi- or tricyclic saturated

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or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S;

B is either carbon or sulfur, or (S=O);

D is oxygen, sulfur, CH2 or N Z, where D can only be S or CH2 if B is carbon;

E is a bond, or (CH2)<sub>m</sub>, O, S, (N-Z), where m and Z have the same meanings as above; wherein

 $R^5$  is pyridyl which may be optionally mono or polyunsubstituted which method comprises converting a compound of claim 1 wherein  $R_I$  or  $R^3$ , or  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  is -O  $R^2$  in which  $R^2$  is a leaving group

 $R^1$  is a straight or branched  $C_{1-12}$  alkyl optionally substituted with phenyl, or  $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl radical wherein the phenyl radical is optionally substituted with a halo, nitro, hydroxy,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, or COOH;

 $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are each independently of each other hydrogen or an OH radical where at least one of  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are -OH;

 $R^5$  is a pyridyl radical substituted with at least one halogen radical and is optionally further substitute; and  $\nabla$ .

A is a bond, C=O, or a CHOH radical or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

which method comprises converting a compound of formula (I), wherein R<sup>2</sup> or R<sup>3</sup> or R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup>

are O-R<sup>7</sup>, into the compound of formula (I) by removal of R<sup>7</sup>, wherein R<sup>7</sup> is a substituent that is a

leaving group selected from alkyl, cycloalkyl, arylalkyl, aryl, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl,

aryloxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, N-substituted aminocarbonyl, silyl and sulfonyl group.

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- 22. (canceled)
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- 26. (previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein R<sup>5</sup> is substituted with one or two halogens.

27. (canceled)

28. (new-corresponds to former claim 21 before this amendment) A process for preparing a compound of Formula 1

or a salt thereof, wherein R1, R5 are independently of each other

- (i) a  $C_{1-12}$  alkyl, straight-chain or branched-chain, optionally mono- or polysubstituted by -OH, -SH, -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -N( $C_{1-6}$  alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -N( $C_{6-14}$  aryl)<sub>2</sub>, -N( $C_{1-6}$  alkyl)( $C_{6-14}$  aryl), -NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -CN, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O- $C_{1-6}$  alkyl, -O- $C_{6-14}$  aryl, -O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, -S- $C_{1-6}$  alkyl, -S- $C_{6-14}$  aryl, -SOR<sup>6</sup>, -SO<sub>3</sub>H, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, -OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -(CS)R<sup>6</sup>, -COOH, -(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the  $C_{6-4}$  aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted by R<sup>4</sup>,
- (ii) -C<sub>2-12</sub> alkenyl, mono- or polyunsaturated, straight-chain or branched-chain, optionally mono- or polysubstituted by -OH, -SH, -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub>

aryl,  $-N(C_{6-14} \text{ aryl})_2$ ,  $-N(C_{1-6} \text{ alkyl})(C_{6-14} \text{ aryl})$ ,  $-NHCOR^6$ ,  $-NO_2$ , -CN, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I,  $-O-C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $-O-C_{6-14}$  aryl,  $-O(CO)R^6$ ,  $-S-C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $-S-C_{6-14}$  aryl,  $-SOR^6$ , -SO3H,  $-SO_2R^6$ ,  $-OSO_2C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $-OSO_2C_{6-14}$  aryl,  $-(CS)R^6$ , -COOH,  $-(CO)R^6$ , mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the  $C_{6-14}$  aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents for their part can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted by  $R^4$ ,

(iii) mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members,

optionally mono- or polysubstituted by -OH, -SH, -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -N(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl)<sub>2</sub>, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl), -NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -CN, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -O-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, -S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -S-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -SOR<sup>6</sup>, -SO<sub>3</sub>H, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, -OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -(CS)R<sup>6</sup>, -COOH, -(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted by R<sup>4</sup>,

(iv) mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, optionally mono- or polysubstituted by -OH, -SH, -NH2, -NHC<sub>l-6</sub> alkyl, -N(C $_{l$ -6 alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -N(C $_{6$ -14 aryl)<sub>2</sub>, -N(C $_{1$ -6 alkyl)(C $_{6$ -14 aryl), -NHCOR $^6$ , -NO2, -CN, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O-C $_{1$ -6 alkyl, -O-C $_{6$ -14 aryl, -O(CO)R $^6$ , -S-C $_{l$ -6 alkyl, -S-C $_{6$ -14 aryl, -SOR $^6$ , -SO3H, -SO2R $^6$ , -OSO2C $_{l$ -6 alkyl, -OSO2C $_{6$ -14 aryl, -(CS)R $^6$ , -COOH, -(CO)R $^6$ , mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the C $_{6$ -14</sub> aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents for their part can be optionally mono- or polyunsaturated spirocycles

having from 3 to 10 ring members, where heterocyclic systems contains from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, optionally mono- or polysubstituted by -OH, -SH, -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -N(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl)<sub>2</sub>, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl), -NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -CN, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -O-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, -S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -S-C<sub>6-14</sub>, aryl, -SOR<sup>6</sup>, -SO3H, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>, -OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -OSO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -(CS)R<sup>6</sup>, -COOH, -(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S, where the C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl groups and the included carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted by R<sup>4</sup>,

 $R^2$ ,  $R^3$  are hydrogen or -OH, where at least one of the two substituents must be -OH;

 $R^4$  is -H, -OH, -SH, -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -N(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl)<sub>2</sub>, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl), -NHCOR<sup>6</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -CN, -COOH, -(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, -(CS)R<sup>6</sup>, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -O-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -O(CO)R<sup>6</sup>, -S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -S-C<sub>6-14</sub>, aryl, -SOR<sup>6</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>6</sup>.

R<sup>6</sup> is -H, -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)<sub>2</sub>, -NHC<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -N(C<sub>6-14</sub>, aryl)<sub>2</sub>, -N(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)(C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl) -O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -O-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -S-C<sub>6-14</sub> aryl, -C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl, straight-chain or branched-chain, -C<sub>2-12</sub> alkenyl, mono- or polyunsaturated, straight-chain or branched-chain, -mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, -mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S;

A is either a bond, or  $-CH2)_m$ ,  $-(CH2)_m$ - $(CH=CH)_n$ - $(CH_2)_p$ -,  $-(CHOZ)_m$ -, -(C=O)-, -(C=N-Z)-, -O-, -S-, -NZ-, where m and p are cardinal numbers from 0 to 3 and n is a cardinal number from 0 to 2,

- Is H, or a  $C_{1-12}$  alkyl, straight-chain or branched-chain,  $C_{2-12}$  alkenyl, mono- or polyunsaturated, straight-chain or branched-chain, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having from 3 to 14 ring members, mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having from 5 to 15 ring members and from 1 to 6 heteroatoms, which are suitably N, O and S;
- B is either carbon or sulfur, or -(S=O)-;
- D is oxygen, sulfur, CH<sub>2</sub> or N-Z, where D can only be S or CH<sub>2</sub> if B is carbon;
- E is a bond, or  $(CH2)_m$ -, -O-, -S-, -(N-Z)-, where m and Z have the same meanings as above; wherein

 $R^5$  is pyridyl which may be optionally mono or polyunsubstituted which method comprises converting a compound of formula 1 to another compound of formula 1 wherein  $R^2$  or  $R^3$ , or  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  is -0- $R^7$  by removing the  $R^7$ , wherein  $R^7$  is a leaving group.

- 29. (new-corresponds to former claim 22) The process of claim 28, wherein said leaving group is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, arylalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, N-substituted aminocarbonyl, silyl, sulfonyl and a complexing agent.
- 30. (new-corresponds to former claim 23) The process of claim 29, wherein said complexing agent is a compound of boric acid or phosphoric acid, or a compound containing a covalently bonded metal.
- 31. (new-corresponds to former claim 24) The process of claim 30, wherein said metal is zinc, aluminum, or copper.
- 32. (new-corresponds to former claim 26) The method of claim 28, wherein R<sup>5</sup> is substituted with one or two halogens.